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BRITISH SCHOOL OF ARCHAEOLOGY IN JERUSALEM

In circulating to the Subscribers and to the public the Annual Report of the Director and the audited Statement of Accounts which were approved at the Annual General Meeting on March 6th, the Council wish to call special attention to the continued small number of subscribers. This year's financial position is not worse than last year's, owing to a few generous special contributions; but this does not assure to the School a safe foundation for the continuity of its work. The fact that there are fewer than 100 subscribers throughout the British Empire and Dominions speaks for itself; and the Council trust that one and all interested in the work and aims of the School will collaborate in raising the number of subscribers to at least 1,000. The proportion for each great city should be a minimum of 100 subscribing members.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT TO THE COUNCIL

March, 1924

While regretting the continued small number of students attending the School, the Director is able to report on a year of active work and of progress in other respects. Briefly, in the field the School has done considerable exploration and has examined with the spade two important historical sites (Harbaj and Tanturah). Tombs have been excavated on Carmel and on the ridge near Harbaj. Two Bulletins, Nos. 3 and 4 have been issued since the last Annual Meeting, and give a fuller account of the work done by students and staff. The Fifth Bulletin is announced and it contains an account of work accomplished by Government Inspectors with which the School's students and staff have been in a measure associated. Another gratifying feature of this collaboration has been the publication, as a special supplement, of an Index of Hittite Geographical Names which was prepared jointly by Dr. Mayer, a Government Inspector of Antiquities and the Director, and may be regarded as the first-fruits of the School's card-index scheme of Records.

Both the Assistant Director and the Director have delivered courses of instruction as well as public lectures on the results of the field expeditions (as described in the Bulletins) and on special subjects bearing on the history and archaeology of Palestine. The large attendances at the public courses have been maintained.

Four students have been in residence during the year under review. The following notes supplement the record of their activities outlined in Bulletin No. 3. Mr. FitzGerald, having in the previous autumn joined Mr. Guy in the excavation of tombs on Carmel and Mr. Phythian-Adams in camp at Gaza, returned from a short absence in the spring to assist in the field work at Harbaj. As a means of extending his experience the Director has gladly approved of his joining Mr. Woolley in camp at Ur. The insight which he has thus obtained into other methods and other materials should prove of much use to himself and to the School as a whole. Mr. Stiven was in camp both at Tanturah and at Harbaj, and made rapid progress in field acquirements. Mr. Turville Petre, after a period of study at Damascus joined our camp at Harbaj; and subsequently returned to his academic work in Oxford. It is particularly regretted that both Mr. Phythian-Adams, Mr. Turville Petre and Mr. Stiven were attacked by a severe form of malaria during the course of our field-season: our programme as a whole, no less than their share in the work, had to be modified in consequence. In particular, to our great regret, work on Harbaj had to be suspended. The Director would express his gratitude to Mr. P. L. O. Guy, Senior Inspector of Antiquities in Palestine, for timely and willing help rendered in this

time of emergency: it was largely owing to his efforts that our records were maintained. Mr. G. Horsfield, an architect by profession, has now joined the School. His help is filling a distinct gap, and is already apparent. He has spent the first winter months in a preliminary study of modern Arabic and a survey of Tanturah.

Arising out of the present dearth of trained excavators to assume command of field expeditions, the Director called the attention of the Council during the summer to the lack of any co-ordinated method by which graduates of the Universities and other young men of suitable preliminary qualification may inform themselves of (a) the likelihood of employment and (b) the means available for suitable training. It is a fact that no archaeologist trained for the field is out of work at the present time, while several contemplated expeditions have been postponed or modified for lack of a properly qualified leader of the right age. Copies of the Director's letter were forwarded to the heads of different societies and organisations likely to be helpful or interested in the matter, both in England and America, but while some useful comments were forthcoming no co-ordinated action has been taken. The Director now suggests that the Council of this School should approach the Schools of Rome and Athens with a view to nominating a small joint committee to draw up and circulate a statement on the subject. Doubtless many young men are deterred from investing in the necessary training for a profession in archaeology because they have not access to the preliminary information. Meanwhile the Director proposes to institute a seasonal course in the Practice of Archaeology—particularly the Methods of Excavation, to be held each spring, and recommends that the promising historical site of Tantura (Dora), be utilised for this purpose.

With great regret the Director announces the resignation of Mr. Phythian-Adams, who, since the inception and foundation of the School in 1919, has been his chief assistant and right hand. Educated at Marlborough and Corpus, Mr. Phythian-Adams took a First Class in *Lit. Hum.*, previous to joining Professor Garstang's expeditions in Asia Minor and the Sudan to study field methods in archaeology. During the war he attained the rank of Lt.-Colonel, was appointed Chief Instructor of the Second Army School, and was awarded the Military Cross and Distinguished Service Order. His work since the war in helping the Director to carry out the policy of the Council and in his personal researches, published in the Bulletins and elsewhere, has contributed much towards the efficient position already attained by the School, where his promptitude and rapid insight have always been at the disposal of other workers. For the Government of Palestine he organized the old collections and the accessions of these three years, which, together, form the Palestine Museum in Jerusalem. In the present scheme of things his place must remain a void.

Mr. Phythian-Adams has expressed his generous intention of bestowing upon the School the bulk of his archaeological library. This contains an excellent selection of the standard and modern works, and the accession will at once put the School's library on a new plane as a working instrument. Hitherto our students have had to consult a number of works in the libraries of the affiliated American and French Schools: the acquisition of these books will, therefore, make for efficiency, especially as the American School will soon be moving to their permanent new building. The Director proposes for the present to retain Mr. Phythian-Adams' library in its present quarters, and thereafter gradually to develop there a common room and living rooms for two or more students, in accordance with the policy of providing a hostel foreseen in the Ordinances.

Meanwhile, by gift of Mrs. James Smith, the School has acquired about ninety standard works from the library of the late James Smith, Esquire. This accession, combined with the books purchased from a special donation of £25 made by Mr. Foa, has assisted greatly in making good the deficiencies without drawing upon the general funds.

A reference to the accounts will show that by rigid economy in all respects the expenses in Jerusalem have been kept within the minimum budget of £400 approved last year. The Council's special grant for equipment was utilised chiefly for improvements in the lecture room; replacing the old lantern-generator with a modern one, and a number of the old seats (made originally from packing cases) by chairs. This year it will be necessary to meet a certain outlay for painting the woodwork, if the present premises are to be retained, and some further additions to the tentage equipment will be desirable.

It was possible to plan the expeditions of this year on a more extensive scale than usual, thanks to the two most generous gifts *ad hoc* made by the Baron Edmond de Rothschild and Mr. FitzGerald. The results of the excavations, which remain necessarily incompleting, are being

described in successive Bulletins: about £100 remains to be expended on this account. The Director recommends that the Council restate their claim for a grant in aid of the excavation of Tanturah and of certain caves and tombs in Galilee to the trustees of the Schweich Trust.

The School continues to be a centre of educational and archaeological activities in Jerusalem. Numerous meetings of Societies—including the Palestine Oriental Society—have been held in our lecture hall. The lecture in which Professor Macalister described his current discoveries on Mt. Ophel for the Palestine Exploration Fund was so numerous attended that the hall was over-full and the hospitality of the French School (*Ecole Biblique*) was required. Among the visitors, those who called to exchange views or compare notes, include: The Director of the French Antiquities Administration in Syria, accompanied by Mme. Virolleaud, the Director of the Arab Institution of Damascus (M. de Loret), the Director of the Archaeological Survey of India (Sir John Marshall), the Director of the Arab Museum in Cairo and Mr. A. Cresswell, the Archaeological Advisor in Irak (Miss Gertrude Bell) and Sir Hugh Bell, H.H. the Emir Abdallah and the Minister of Education for Transjordan; Professor Breasted from Chicago, Professor Clay from Yale, Dr. Gordon from Philadelphia; Dr. Alan Gardiner from Egypt; Mr. Leonard Woolley on his way to Ur, and Mr. Clarence Fisher who directs the Excavations at Beisan.

Lastly, our relations with the Directors, Staff and Students alike, of the French and American Schools, and with the Inspectors of the Department of Antiquities for Palestine, continue to be most cordial and gratifying. The spirit of comradeship in common work and of mutual helpfulness pervades the atmosphere of the three establishments.

Received in London during Year ending December 31st, 1923

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Armenian Patriarch	£	2	05.0
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Bowman, H. E., Esq., C.B.E.	2	05	0
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Lambert, C., Esq.	2	00	0
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Carried forward	£	37 16 0	£E35.10.0

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BALANCE SHEET FOR YEAR ENDING 20th DECEMBER, 1923

Dr.		RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS		Cr.	
To Balances from 1922	...	...	£E4.68.5	By School House, Rent, Rates,	First Half Year	Second Half Year	Total
			89.60.2	etc. ...	£E	£E	£E
			94.28.7				
„ Subscriptions and Donations	...	...	82.52.3	„ Equipment and upkeep	15.23.2	35.00.0	50.23.2
„ Research (Baron Rothschild)	...	...	200.00.0	„ Library	23.29.6	18.66.0	41.95.6
„ Library (R. H. Foa)	...	...	25.00.0	„ Photography and Lantern			
„ Hon. Treas. : Budget A/c.	...	...	97.50.0	Slides	15.58.6	4.17.0	19.75.6
Equipment, Vote (£25)	...	...	24.37.5	„ Expeditions and Research	218.19.2	136.18.5	354.37.7
Travelling Allowance (£50)	...	...	48.75.0	„ Travel and Transport—			
Budget A/c. (£100)	...	...	291.00.0	Director, 48.75.0	60.42.3	52.88.0	113.30.3
Research A/c.—				„ Office Expenses	11.13.7	1.43.0	12.56.7
G. M. FitzGerald (£200)	...	...		„ Sundry	—	40.5	40.5
„ Sales	...	...	1.27.0	„ Balance—			
„ Returns : (balances of various advances)			2.14.0	Cash in hand	2.98.0		
			3.15.0	Stamp A/c.	1.49.5		
			3.65.3	Cash in Bank	62.02.2		
„ Bank Interest	...	...	8.94.3				
			1.31.1				66.49.7
			£E874.95.9				£E874.95.9

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January 16th, 1924.